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Subject: Fwd: Action Alert - Passaic River Cleanup - Belleville Public Meeting

Dear All,

For those of you who remember when the EPA gave several meetings with the EJ community of Port Richmond to determine the best way of cleaning up the John J. Jewett & Sons White Lead Company/ National Lead Industries/Seduttos Ice Cream Factory site on Richmond Terrace. They gave us about 4 options for the clean up. But the option that the community chose was the one that basically said that we wanted the site completely cleaned up, so that we would never have to be afraid of the possibility of contaminants from that site hurting the people and our children.

The dioxin/Agent Orange is a cancer causing chemical and is in the Passaic river. The Passaic river connects to Newark Bay and Newark Bay is connected to the Kill Van Kull and Arthur Kill rivers. You can pretty much follow where this is leading.

As Staten Islanders we need to have an option to have our waterways completely cleaned up. Granted Staten Island's rivers may never be as pristine as they once were. But we need to eliminate a significant amount of contaminants and pollutants from these rivers, because our people eat the fish and shellfish from them and in good conscience we cannot turn our backs on our people.

So sign NY/NJ Baykeeper's petition below, write a letter or 2 and definitely pass this on.

Beryl A. Thurman, Executive Director/President
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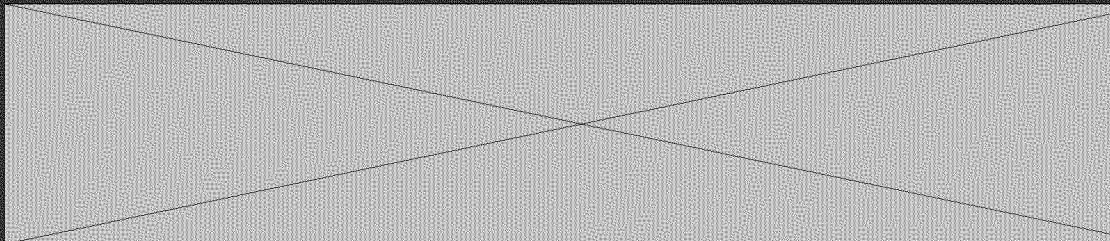
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Subject: Action Alert - Passaic River Cleanup - Belleville Public Meeting



Make Your Voice Heard!
Support EPA's Proposed Passaic River Cleanup Plan

Attend a Public Meeting in Belleville, Monday, June 23rd

For decades, polluters dumped dioxin and other harmful, cancer-causing contaminants into the Passaic River in Newark, NJ. In an effort to remediate the abused River, the US Environmental Protection Agency proposed a historic cleanup plan on April 11, 2014. The EPA's preferred cleanup method consists of bank to bank dredging of 4.3 million cubic yards of contaminated sediment from the lower 8.3 miles of the River, with a two foot cap.

As far as disposal is concerned, we believe that off-site disposal of contaminated sediment at a licensed facility is the best method. Burying and capping the contaminants in Newark Bay is NOT a viable, clean option. The plan will be beneficial in long term effectiveness, will reduce toxicity, ecological impacts, and risk to human health and improve the environment and economy.

We are in favor of EPA's cleanup plan with off-site disposal but **we** need your support! It is time for the polluters to take responsibility and accountability for the murder of our River!

There are 3 Ways You Can Help:

1. Attend a Public Meeting!

Belleville Senior Citizens Recreation Center
125 Franklin Avenue (Franklin Avenue and Mill Street), Belleville, NJ 07109
Monday, June 23, 2014 at 2:00 PM.

2. Sign our online [petition](#).

3. Contribute to the public comment period:

Submit comments to PassaicLower8MileComments.Region2@epa.gov NOW through August 20, 2014, supporting EPA's plan of a complete bank to bank cleanup and off-site disposal. To learn more about the proposed cleanup plan, click [here](#).

For more information, contact Sandra at sandra@nynjbaykeeper.org or 732-888-9870 x7.

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